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Applicant:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a One-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the first month is \$55.00. A check for this amount is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872 (Order No. <u>071949-1315</u>) Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872 (Order No. <u>071949-1315</u>).

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